Historic Preservation Design Review

February 25, 2010

HP-10-02, 333 W. Calhoun St. (City)

I. THE REQUEST

Applicant: Kay Rhoads

Status of the Applicant: Owner

Request: Design Review for removal of three dogwood trees and

addition of a pergola to façade of residence

Location: 333 West Calhoun St

Present Use/Zoning: Residential (R9) / Hampton Historic District

Tax Map Reference: 228-06-03-050

Adjacent Property Land Use and Zoning: North – Residential (R6)

South – W Calhoun & Residential (R9) / Hampton Historic District East – Residential

(R9) / Hampton Historic District

West – Marion Ave & Residential (R9) /

Hampton Historic District

II. BACKGROUND

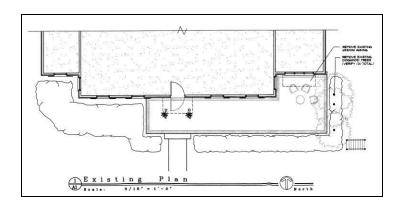
The applicant is requesting Design Review approval to remove three existing dogwood trees and make a façade change to the residence. The owner proposed the addition of a 12' x 8' pergola on the right-hand side of the existing facade. This request has been prompted by a desire to add depth and interest to the home's façade.

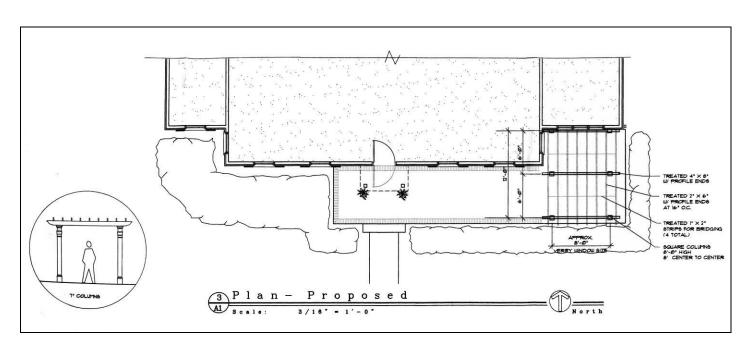
333 West Calhoun is a colonial revival home built in the earlier part of the twentieth century. The total area of the parcel is +/- 0.40 acres. *Left below: Photo of existing façade, right below: area of proposed pergola*

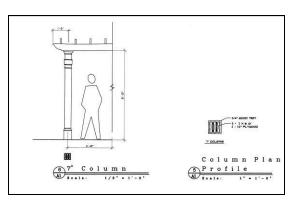














It is necessary to remove three small dogwoods from the front yard in order to construct the pergola. The trees are not of historic or significant size. Removal of the trees does not detract from the visual appearance of the front yard, because there are several large majestic trees on site and because these trees are aged and somewhat diseased in appearance. Based on the architectural style of this home, the addition of a classically styled pergola is a fitting improvement to the façade that will add, rather than detract from the appearance of the structure. The applicant intends to paint the pergola white, and plant a vine, possibly Carolina Jessamine, to grow on it.

While there are no specific design criteria that address this project, materials and design should be reviewed in the context of the historic district in terms of building materials and colors.

III. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends approval of this request.

IV. DRAFT MOTION

• I move that the Historic Preservation Design Review Committee approve HP-10-02

V. HISTORIC PRESERVATION DESIGN REVIEW – FEBRUARY 25, 2010

The Sumter Historic Preservation Design Review Committee at its meeting on Thursday, February 25, 2010, voted to approve this request, in accordance with the materials, photographs, and construction details submitted and referenced in the Staff Report.